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## Twilight League

Summer schools in the past have had an organization which was entertaining to many students and also to those people who saw the games. This organization is the Twilight League.

The Twilight League has been a feature of summer entertainment for the past nine years. Not only was it enjoyed by many spectators but also it was a means of good clean competition for a large number of soft-ball players. These games were played after supper in the cool part of the day and gave many students relaxation from the daily grind of schoolwork, in hot classrooms.

Softball games at this time of the day will make it possible for many boys who could not play otherwise to have some kind of physical training. And is not physical development important today as training for the armed forces continues?

It boils down to this. Why not have the Twilight League this summer as has been the case in the past? More boys will be associated with such a league during this term. More entertainment will be provided for Aggie-land.

## Japan First

Japan must be defeated before Germany, writes Dr. David P. Barrows, professor of political science in the University and noted soldier, in the California Monthly, alumni magazine.

"I am one of those who, rightly or wrongly, am convinced that Japan must be defeated first," Dr. Barrows writes. "In fact, I think she cannot be defeated through the defeat of Hitler.

"The defeat of Japan is easier, much easier, than the defeat of Nazi Germany, and it is a sound principle of warfare to strike hardest and first against the weaker force."

Pointing out that the Pacific war is primarily the task of the United States and that little help can be expected there from Britain, Dr. Barrows expressed confidence that America can defeat the Japanese.

"Individual fighting between our vessels, our airplanes, and our soldiers, as in the Philippines, has, without exception, proven the superiority of American contestants against the Japanese," Dr. Barrows writes. "And I expect that superiority to manifest itself more and more, a superiority not merely in the fighting qualities but in coolness of head, superiority of judgment, and, once the tide sets against Japan, in superiority of resolution."

With regard to Britain's role in the East, Dr. Barrows wrote: "Relieved of the responsibility of the Far East, Great Britain may have the strength herself to defend England against invasion and to hold on to the eastern Mediterranean. If she can do these two things, it is probably the utmost that she can do. Thus, the Far East and its widely dispersed battle is becoming exclusively an American undertaking."

## From Capital to Campus

ACP's Jay Richter Reports from Washington

Incidentally, there's no intention of shouldering college men out of this job picture. However, current vacancies are for women. The obvious inference is that men will be needed elsewhere—and government officials have hardened themselves to this fact. Men can apply for the jobs mentioned above. They aren't as likely to get them at present, that's all.

Alumni of 651 American educational institutions are represented at the "University of the Air," the Naval Air Corps training base at Corpus Christi, Texas. Included are one college of osteopathy, two schools of divinity. California, with 4E3 students from 61 schools, has more cadets than any other state—20 per cent of the Corpus Christi "student body."

The U. S. Office of Education here reports that world war has brought students from 70 foreign countries to American colleges and universities during the last year.

The Norwegian legation in Washington points out that students have joined their teachers in resisting Nazi domination; a case in point, the "Stavanger incident." When

## The World Turns On

By DR. C. C. DOAK

Hardships of School in Summer: — Aggies, should you doubt whether others have had hardships before you, take a walk along the curved road that leads from Goodwin Hall toward the depot. Under each tree there is a nameplate of A. and M.'s war dead. Many bear the names of my classmates. They were Good Aggies, Fighting Aggies, Yelling Aggies, sometimes they were Thoughtless Aggies. On the whole they were just Aggies like you and the others who make up the present corps.

I re-read those nameplates recently and tried to recall the strong and weak points of my own buddies who have their names written there. I wondered what they would say if, by some magic power, they could speak to us from the grave. It is my conviction that they would not mention the hardships that they endured, the heat, or the dullness of their subjects.

I feel that they would point accusing fingers at the men of my generation for having "gone soft", for having "relaxed vigilance", for having "lost the peace for which they died", for "having been content with supplying less than the best in the way of training for the new generation."

I am sure, too, that they would have words of praise for all who had continued own and the country's sake, keep awake." the most of his opportunities here and now. They probably would upbraid those of us who gripe about the hardships of teaching or going to school in the summer time.

Advice That They Might Give Us: — One might say, "I died because a man cut a math class. You see, it happened this way: During an artillery duel, the officer missed his calculation because of a lack which had existed since the day he missed class. Jerry won the duel and lived. He is now fighting again in the siege of Sevastopol. Aggies, please be punctual, be regular and so master your subjects that when someone dies for his country, he will be on the side of the enemy and not on your side."

Another might say, "I died because I went to sleep in class. You see, it was this way: I met Corporal Hitler in No Man's Land in 1918. We exchanged bayonet thrusts. I cut insensational flesh while he cut a vital artery. You see, I had slept in an anatomy class when the vital points of human anatomy were being considered. Aggies, for your own and the country's sake, keep awake."

Another might say, "Girls killed me. I worried all night about my girl back home. Next day I met Hermann Goering in an aerial duel. My aim was unsteady. Here I sleep while Goering commands the enemy air fleet. Aggies of 1942, keep your minds on the business in hand."

Still another might say, "My major prof. killed me. You see it was this way; I had the attitude that English was a bit sissy and not a practical subject. He encouraged me in this, and I was content with D's in all subjects except my major. I gave my men instructions in "D grade English." The idea was not clear. The men were confused on the field of battle. We died together in the confusion. Aggies for your own safety and for the sake of national victory, master your mother tongue."

I believe that all would agree that on the fields of battle little things become life-and-death matters.

be taken over by Nazi troops, they sneaked into the school building, stripping it of fixtures before the Nazis arrived. Some 9,500 of Norway's 10,500 teachers have resigned in protest against a Quisling order to join the Nazi Teachers' organization.

Each day adds to the likelihood of all-out registration of women-power (ages 18 to 65). Secretary of Labor Perkins predicts that of 15,000,000 workers employed in war industries by January, 1943, 5,000,000 will be women.

The swing is most dramatic in war industries. Less startling—but of more practical value to college women—is the fact that the swing is taking place in almost every field.

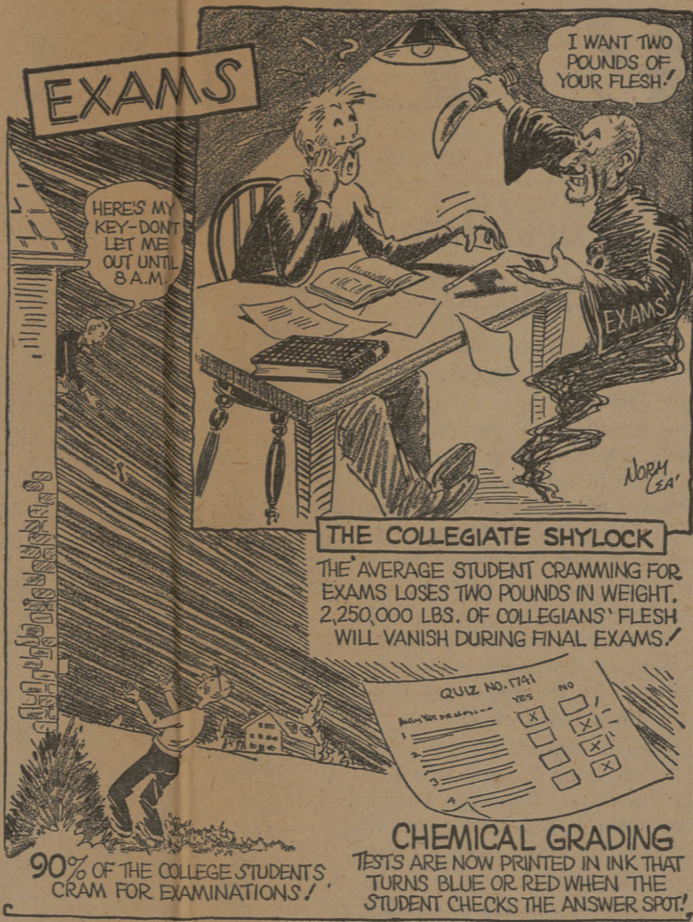
The Federal Government is leading the way. Not to mention those hired "in the field," 600 women are arriving in Washington each week to enter Federal service. Many of them are hired for administrative, professional and sub-professional jobs—as economists, public relations experts, ammunition inspectors, dieticians, medical technicians and ordnance inspectors. Uncle Sam is using them, too, in skilled and semi-skilled fields—as gas mask inspectors and assemblers, arsenal apprentices, mechanical time fuse workers, examiners of knitted and woven articles, power sewing machine operators.

Right now Civil Service is looking for women mathematicians to make computations in ballistic testing for war agencies. Requirements call for two years of college with three semesters of mathematics. Formal title of the job is "Assistant Technical and Scientific Aid," starting pay, \$1,620 annually.

For those with just one year of college, the job to apply for is that of "Junior Technical and Scientific Aid." Emphasis on college physics and chemistry is required. The pay is \$1,440.

"Japanese students often declared in my English classes in Japan that their purpose in learning English was to be able to run America after we have conquered it," Douglas G. Harding of Syracuse university comments: "It seemed funny—then."

## Kollegiate Kaleidoscope



**BACKWASH** By Jack Hood  
 "Backwash: An agitation resulting from some action or occurrence."—Webster

### Aggies in the A. E. F.

Major R. W. "Bob" Colglazier, '25, and Captain H. T. McWatters, '32, made the news releases as being among the Texas boys in Ireland.

Major Bob hailed from Sunny San Tone where the females and athletes flourish in reckless abandon . . . according to the 1925 Longhorn . . . h



land blushing, debonaire, and soft-hearted, but wisdom came with age . . . when he graduated he could write a dissertation on anything from "The Technique of Osculation" to "The Holes in Imported Sweitzer Cheese" . . . right now he's gathering material for a paper entitled "The Holes in Departed Nazi-Rats."

"Rabbit Hunter" Colglazier (as he was called) was Captain of Co. H, Infantry, member of San Antonio Club, C. E. Society, R. V.'s, Assistant Editor of the Battalion, Activities Editor of the Longhorn, and on the Student Welfare Committee . . .

Captain McWatters was a Captain on the 2nd Battalion Infantry Staff . . . from Pittsburg, Texas . . . graduated at the age of 23 (Last of the Old Four), member of the Northeast Texas Club, Accounting Society, R. V.'s, and was an Air Corps Fledgling (back in the days when we had an Air Corps unit) . . .

Upon their arrival in Ireland, overall-clad Captain McWatters was helping his men unload tanks from ships when a British major yelled, "Is there anything we can do for your tankmen?" . . . "Nothing," he was told, "The boys can take care of everything." . . . and he did mean everything . . .

### Pied, Not Pie-eyed

After reading last Saturday's Backwash, many have inquired as to just what nut factory this writer escaped from . . . and I don't blame them, but that helluva mess was what's known to newspapermen as "pied type" . . . the words "pied" and "pie-eyed" being very

similar, anybody can see where it got its name . . . it results when somebody drops a handful of slugs (lines of type) and picks them up like they're drawing out of a grab bag . . . excuse, please.

### Sweepings

Described as Hollywood's most sensational casting in many a moon, is Aggie-favorite Ann Sheridan as "Texas Guinan" . . . Paramount will make the flicker based on the life of Texas, and has borrowed Ann from Warner's by the give-and-take method . . . according to a release: "There is a lot of "Guinan" in Sheridan, but their come-hither down-to-earthiness was tagged differently. The appeal of the hello sucker night club queen (Guinan) had more whoop-de-la-in it. The former redheaded teacher from Texas, who became famous as the oomph girl, is more the smouldering type." . . . you tell 'em, bud—I stutter . . . a new-caster startled us the other night with "The Russians are throwing up fortifications in front of Khar-kov" . . . must have been something they et . . . Definition: An oddity is a girl at a Juke Box Prom not from Bryan . . .

A Texas university sharpie paid for the following ad in a recent issue of The Daily Texan: "Lost—vicinity Petroleum Building, one 30-inch suction hose with mouth-piece. Slightly worn. Notify Charles E. Grant, 1845 Osage." . . . it seems Grant was attributed with having a great deal of suction with his professors . . . they say Grant was looking for the unknown lad with fire in his eyes . . . probably would scratch him to bits if he found him . . .

Novelette from the news: Two Belgians met on a busy street in their Nazi-occupied homeland . . . greeted the first, "Heil Rubens!" . . . and returned the other, "Heil Rubens!" . . . a Nazi slinking nearby, heard them, asked suspiciously: "What is this 'Heil Rubens.' What does it mean?" . . . came back one innocently: "Oh, we Belgians have a famous painter, too." . . . give 'em hell.

One hundred five graduates of the Bible college of Texas Christian university are preaching in Texas, a survey discloses.

Swing! Sweet

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- (3) "DARLING HOW YOU LIED"—Wayne King
- (4) "SARGHUM SWITCH"—"Doc" Wheeler
- (5) "MOONLIGHT OVER THE GANGES"—Tommy Dorsey
- (6) "TANNING DR. JEKYLL'S HIDE"—Bob Chester

**HASWELL'S**  
 Bryan

COVERING  
**campus distractions**  
 By JACK KEITH

The Juke Box Prom Saturday night was the success that was expected, according to all reports. The ratio of bird-dogs to girls was rather high, but that is a common thing at Aggie dances, and we hear the girls love it that way. The outdoor pavilion should be completed early in July, making bigger and better proms possible.

Showing at Guion Hall today and Wednesday, "CAPTAINS OF THE CLOUDS," a picture of a quintet of flyers of Canada and the part the Royal Canadian Air Force is playing in the present war. Stars of the show are James Cagney, Dennis Morgan, Brenda Marshall and Alan Hale. The picture is in technicolor.

Jimmy Cagney plays his customary role as a happy-go-lucky guy who, in the end, turns out to be okay. Dennis Morgan, Reginald Gardiner, Alan Hale and George Tobias play the parts of fellow-flyers of Cagney's in the northern bush country of Canada. Brenda Marshall portrays the part of a backwoods girl who eternally longs to see the bright lights of the cities.

The Clouds" deals with the five flyers as commercial pilots and their keen competition to get the flying business of each outfit of the North. From these commercial jaunts, they develop into dare-devil pilots and decide to devote their services to the RCAF. Their adventures as pilots and instructors in the Royal Canadian Air Force, Cagney's love affair with Brenda Marshall and, finally, the gigantic task of ferrying a squadron of bombers to England complete the show.

The Lowdown:—Good acting, good scenery, good show. Fred Astaire and Rita Hayworth are co-starred in one of the two features showing at the Campus Theatre today and tomorrow. The picture is "YOU'LL NEVER GET RICH," a musical comedy. Other players are John Hubbard, Robert (See DISTRACTIONS, Page 3)

**Campus**  
 Dial 4-1181

BOX OFFICE OPENS 1 P. M.

TODAY - TOMORROW  
 DOUBLE FEATURE  
 "You'll Never Get Rich," with Rita Hayworth and Fred Astaire. "Bombay Clipper," with William Gargan and Irene Hervey.  
 Thursday—"Almost Married," starring Jane Frazee and Robert Paige.  
 AT GUION HALL  
 Tuesday and Wednesday—"Captains of the Clouds," with James Cagney, Dennis Morgan and Brenda Marshall.  
 Thursday and Friday—"Born to Sing," Virginia Weidler and Ray McDonald.

1:10 - 3:56 - 6:42 - 9:28

**BOMBAY CLIPPER**  
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 Tuesday and Wednesday, June 9-10  
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 James Cagney — Brenda Marshall  
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**"CAPTAINS of  
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 (Technicolor)  
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